

PUBLIC HEARING AND REGULAR MEETING OF THE HANCOCK VILLAGE BOARD,  
MONDAY, AUGUST 12, 2019 7:00 PM  
HANCOCK VILLAGE HALL, 85 EAST FRONT STREET, HANCOCK, NEW YORK

The Public Hearing to consider Local Law 1-19, A Local Law Amending Section 1-109-9.B(2)(C) of the Village Code was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Mayor Carolann McGrath. Attorney Robert McKertich explained the contents of the Local Law in detail. There were no comments from the floor. The Public Hearing was closed at 7:04 P.M.

The Regular Meeting was called to order at 7:04 P.M. by Mayor Carolann McGrath.

Roll call was taken by Clerk/Treasurer Falsetta.

Present: Mayor Carolann McGrath  
Deputy Mayor Shaun Shannon  
Trustee Charlene Caramore  
Trustee Dawn Gotthardt  
Trustee Dorothy Picozzi

Also Present: Phyllis Falsetta, Clerk/Treasurer  
Robert McKertich, Attorney for the Village  
See Attached List

**A MOTION** was made by Trustee Gotthardt, seconded by Trustee Caramore, voted and carried to approve the July 8, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes with one correction. **2019-128**  
*Minutes Approval*

**A MOTION** was made by Deputy Mayor Shannon, seconded by Trustee Gotthardt, voted and carried to approve the Abstract of Vouchers in the amount of \$109,847.18. **2019-129**  
*Abstract Approval*

A Short Environmental Assessment (SEQR) form for Local Law 1-19 was completed by the Board.

**A MOTION** was made by Trustee Caramore, seconded by Trustee Picozzi, voted and carried to declare a negative on the on the SEQR pertaining to Local Law 1-19 and the following RESOLUTION was offered. **2019-130**  
**LL 1-19 RESOLUTION**

**VILLAGE OF HANCOCK**  
**A RESOLUTION APPROVING LOCAL LAW 1 OF 2019**

At a meeting of the Village Board of the Village of Hancock, held at Hancock Village Hall, 85 East Front Street, Hancock, New York on the 12th day of August, 2019, the following resolution was offered and seconded:

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Hancock scheduled a public hearing for August 12, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. for Local Law No. 1 of the Year 2019 entitled "A LOCAL LAW AMENDING CHAPTER 109 OF THE VILLAGE CODE PERTAINING TO WATER METERS"; and

**WHEREAS**, notice of said public hearing was duly advertised in the official newspaper of the Village and posted on the Village Clerk’s signboard; and

**WHEREAS**, said public hearing was duly held at Hancock Village Hall, 85 East Front Street, Hancock, New York at 7:00 p.m. on the 12th day of August, 2019, and all parties in attendance were permitted an opportunity to speak on behalf of or in opposition to said proposed Local Law, or any part thereof; and

**WHEREAS**, that pursuant to Part 617 of the implementing regulations of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, it has been determined by the Village Board that adoption of the proposed Local Law constitutes an Unlisted Action, as defined under said regulations. The Village Board has considered the possible environmental impacts of the Local Law. The adoption of said Local Law will not have a significant adverse impact on the environment and the Village Board adopts a negative declaration with respect to the Local Law; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village Board, after due deliberation, finds it in the best interest of the Village to adopt said Local Law.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Village Board hereby adopts said local law as Local Law No. 1 of the Year 2019 entitled “A LOCAL LAW AMENDING CHAPTER 109 OF THE VILLAGE CODE PERTAINING TO WATER METERS”; and

**RESOLVED** that the Village Clerk be and hereby is directed to enter said Local Law in the minutes of this meeting and to give due notice of the adoption of said Local Law to the Secretary of State; and

**RESOLVED** that this resolution shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Department of State.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

Mayor Carolann McGrath	yes
Deputy Mayor Shaun Shannon	yes
Trustee Dawn Gotthardt	yes
Trustee Charlene Caramore	yes
Trustee Dorothy Picozzi	yes

**A MOTION** was made by Deputy Mayor Shannon, seconded by Trustee Picozzi, voted and carried to accept and approve the Court Audit that was performed by Trustee Caramore and Trustee Gotthardt for fiscal year ending 5/31/19.

*2019-131*

*2019 Court Audit*

William Brown of Delaware Engineering was present to report on the progress of the installation of the water/sewer meters. Approximately 250 meters have been installed, another 80 are currently scheduled leaving 100-120 not yet scheduled for installation. In reference to the overall water project, the surveying has been completed, paint samples from the water tank have been taken and are being tested for lead. Mr. Brown hopes for state approval and to put the project out to bid by the end of the year.

Mr. Brown also reported that the CDBG grant application for upgrades to the Waste Water Treatment Plant has been submitted by Blauer Associates. Award announcement should be made in December.

**A MOTION** was made by Trustee Gotthardt, seconded by Trustee Caramore, voted and carried that all properties in the Village have to have new meters installed by 9-15-19 to be in compliance of Village Policy.

*2019-132*

*Meter Installation Date*

*Policy*

The noise ordinance was brought back to the table. Mayor McGrath provided information on decimal levels from her recent research. After a brief discussion the matter was re-tabled.

DPW Superintendent Matt Loftus supplied a list of equipment that he requested the Board to declare surplus and permit him to sell: T1/2011 Chevy 3500HD, T4/2007 Chevy 2500 HD, John Deere Tractor X300, Gorman-Rupp Water Pump, Falcon Asphalt Repair "Hot Box", 4x8 Trailer and Salt Dog Plastic Salt Spreaders (a detailed list of items is attached). He requested the following items be declared surplus to be junked: Arons Snow Blower, Henderson Salt Spreader, PoulanPro Lawn Tractor and an Echo Weed Eater.

**A MOTION** was made by Trustee Caramore, seconded by Trustee Gotthardt, voted and carried to declare the above items as surplus and to be sold at auction.

*2019-133*

*Surplus Items to be Sold*

**A MOTION** was made by Trustee Picozzi, seconded by Trustee Gotthardt, voted and carried to declare the above items as surplus and to be discarded.

*2019-134*

*Surplus Items to be Discarded*

Notice of liquor license was received from Chestnut Café at 11 West Main Street.

Parade Event Applications were received from Hancock Student Council/Homecoming Parade on 9/27/19 and the Community Education Foundation/Tractor Parade on 10/12/19. The 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Corn Festival and Tractor Show will be held in Windsor on 8/24/19.

It was agreed that the Mayor should send a letter to SUNY Broome inviting them to open a satellite campus in Hancock.

Jim Serio offered his services to assist in setting up a new water/sewer billing system.

Theresa Smith Davis was present to follow up on the noise ordinance.

**A MOTION** was made by Trustee Gotthardt, seconded by Trustee Picozzi, voted and carried at 7:49 P.M. to enter into executive session to discuss:

*2019-135*

*Executive Session*

- Matters which, if disclosed, will imperil the public safety
- Matters which may disclose the identity of a law enforcement agent or informer
- Information regarding current or future investigations or prosecutions of a criminal offense which would imperil effective law enforcement if disclosed
- Discussion proposed, pending or current litigation
- Collective negotiations pursuant to the Taylor Law
- The medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation
- The preparation, grading, or administration of examinations
- The proposed acquisition, sale or lease of real property or the proposed acquisition of securities, or sale or exchange of securities held by the public body, but only when publicity would substantially affect the value thereof

The Regular Meeting was reconvened at 8:34 P.M. with no action taken.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Phyllis Falsetta, Clerk/Treasurer